

**Jefferson County Economic Development Consortium
Board of Directors Meeting
August 8, 2012**



Meeting called to order at 8:35 am.

Board members present: Supervisors, Jim Schroeder, Augie Tietz, John Wilmet- City of Fort Atkinson, Steve Wilke- City of Lake Mills, Bill Dovi-City of Waterloo

Others Present: County Board Chairperson John Molinaro, James Romlein, , Lynn Forseth, Catherin Kleiber, Wayne Kossel, Joe Nehmer, Executive Director Dennis Heling and Administrative Assistant RoxAnne Witte.

Certification of compliance with Open Meeting Law Requirements

D. Heling certified compliance for the amended agenda dated August 8, 2012.

Citizen Comments

None

Minutes

Tietz/Schroeder moved to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2012 as presented. Motion carried.

Communications

None

Brief Introduction of Next Generation Networks – Jim Romlein

Brief discussion was held on the executive summary that was presented to the board. All documents relating to the Next Generation Networks will be forwarded to the board and this topic will be placed on September's agenda for further discussion.

Directors Report

Tietz Wilke moved to accept the August 2012 Directors Report as submitted. Motion carried.

Finance Report

Wilmet/Tietz moved to approve the August 30, 2012, Financial Report as submitted. Motion carried.

Resolution – EPA Brownfield's Assessment Grant Application

Discussions on Brownfield Grant application made in the fall of 2011 and changes needed. Symbiont has offered to assist Jefferson County in applying for the grant at no charge. Motion by Schroeder/Wilke to complete the EPA Brownfield's Assessment Grant Application for Hazardous Substances and EPA Brownfield's Assessment Grant Application for Petroleum Products for Jefferson County. Motion carried.

Discussion of Home Buyer Funds

D. Heling reported on a possible opportunity for JCEDC to take over an existing home buyer grant assistance program. He will keep the board informed as discussions continue.

Committee Reports

Tourism

Discover Wisconsin – J. Nehmer updated the board on a new opportunity for Jefferson and Walworth Counties to join efforts to promote tourism in Jefferson County. Discussion was held on whether Jefferson County should pursue this on their own or join efforts with Walworth County and possible others. J. Nehmer reported the approximate cost to Jefferson County to participate as a joint effort with three other prospects would be \$9,000. Motion/Tietz/Wilmet to commit \$9,000 from the JCEDC reserve account with these funds being replaced by fundraising for the Discover Wisconsin program. Motion carried.

Future Agenda Items

1. Discover Wisconsin Presentation
2. Next Generation Networks

Upcoming Meetings

JCEDC Board of Directors, September 12, 2012 8:30 am, UW Extension/Workforce Development Building, Rm 12, Jefferson
Regional RLF Meeting, August 27, 2012 10:00 am, Thrive offices in Madison
Watertown Trail Study, August 8, 2012, 3:30 – 5:30 pm, Watertown Senior Center

Adjournment

There being no further business for consideration, motion by Wilke/Wilmet adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:42 am

Respectfully submitted,

RoxAnne Witte, Recording Secretary

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